

MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Requestor Name and Address

ELITE HEALTHCARE FORT WORTH SUITE 108 1100 BRIDGEWOOD DRIVE FORT WORTH TX 76112

Respondent Name

KELLER ISD

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-13-1388-01

Carrier's Austin Representative

Box Number 43

MFDR Date Received

February 4, 2013

REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

Requestor's Position Summary: "The pre-authorization states that codes 97113, 97112, and 97140 were approved and when given the verbal authorization by Sabrina and the carrier copy received by mail there was no specification or change noted on the pre-authorization that specific codes or units were modified to what was requested. Therefore the 12 sessions of therapy with 4 units of 97113, 2 units of 97112, and 2 units of 97140 were completed by the patient. The original payment made on the claims were for only the 97113 (\$259.21) and then on the reconsiderations an additional amount of \$50.92 was made on each code of 97112 (some DOS did not receive the additional payment). I am no submitting these DOS for the total unpaid amount..."

Amount in Dispute: \$1,605.61

RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

Respondent's Position Summary: The insurance carrier did not respond to the DWC060 request. A copy of the DWC060 was placed in the insurance carrier's representative box, 43 assigned to JI Specialty Services for Keller ISD on February 11, 2013. The division will therefore issue a findings and decision based on the information contained in the dispute at the time of the audit.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012	97140 and 97112	\$1,605.61	\$1,378.18

FINDINGS AND DECISION

This medical fee dispute is decided pursuant to Texas Labor Code §413.031 and all applicable, adopted rules of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation.

Background

- 1. 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving a medical fee dispute.
- 2. 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.600 sets out the guidelines for Preauthorization, Concurrent Review, and Voluntary Certification of Health Care.
- 3. 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.203 sets out the fee guidelines for professional medical services.

4. The services in dispute were reduced/denied by the respondent with the following reason codes:

Explanation of benefits

- 119 Benefit maximum for this time period or occurrence has been reached
- 600 Allowance based on maximum number of units allowed per fee schedule guidelines and/or service code description.
- 168 Billed charge is greater than maximum unit value or daily maximum allowance for physical therapy/physical medicine services
- B13 Previously paid. Payment for this claim/service may have been provided in a previous payment
- 247 A payment or denial has already been recommended for this service
- D1 Duplicate control number 100000232
- 193 Original payment decision is being maintained. This claim was processed properly the first time
- W3 Additional payment made on appeal/reconsideration

Issues

- 1. Did the requestor submit documentation to support that preauthorization was obtained for the disputed services?
- 2. Did the requestor bill in conflict with the NCCI edits?
- 3. Is the requestor entitled to reimbursement?

Findings

- 1. 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.600 states in pertinent part, "(p) Non-emergency health care requiring preauthorization includes: (5) physical and occupational therapy services, which includes those services listed in the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) at the following levels: (A) Level I code range for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, but limited to: (i) Modalities, both supervised and constant attendance; (ii) Therapeutic procedures, excluding work hardening and work conditioning..."
 - The requestor seeks reimbursement for CPT codes 97140 and 97112 rendered on August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012.
 - Review of the preauthorization letter issued by JI Specialty Services, dated July 31, 2012 documents that the insurance carrier preauthorized 12 additional op post op PT sessions for low back to be completed within 60 days from date of authorization, CPT codes 97112, 97113 and 97140. The requestor provided the disputed services within the preauthorized timeframes, as a result, the disputed services will be reviewed pursuant to 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.203 (b).
- 2. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.203 "(b) For coding, billing, reporting, and reimbursement of professional medical services, Texas workers' compensation system participants shall apply the following: (1) Medicare payment policies, including its coding; billing; correct coding initiatives (CCI) edits; modifiers; bonus payments for health professional shortage areas (HPSAs) and physician scarcity areas (PSAs); and other payment policies in effect on the date a service is provided with any additions or exceptions in the rules."
 - The division completed NCCI edits to help identify edit conflicts that would affect reimbursement. The division finds that no NCCI edits were identified for the disputed services rendered on August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012.

The requestor disputes CPT code 97112 defined by the AMA CPT Code book as "Therapeutic procedure, 1 or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular reeducation of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture, and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities." Review of the CMS-1500 for disputed dates of service August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012, documents that the requestor billed for 2 units of CPT code 97112 for each disputed date of service. The requestor submitted documentation to support the billing of two units of CPT code 97112 for each date of service, as a result, the disputed CPT codes will be reviewed pursuant to 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.203(c).

The requestor disputes CPT code 97140 defined by the AMA CPT Code book as "Manual therapy techniques (eg, mobilization/ manipulation, manual lymphatic drainage, manual traction), 1 or more regions, each 15 minutes." Review of the CMS-1500 for disputed dates of service August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012, documents that the requestor billed for 2 units of CPT code 97140 for each disputed date of service. The requestor submitted documentation to support the billing of two units of CPT code 97140 for each date of service, as a result, the disputed CPT codes will be reviewed pursuant to 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.203(c).

3. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code § 134.203 "(c) To determine the MAR for professional services, system participants shall apply the Medicare payment policies with minimal modifications. (1) For service categories of Evaluation & Management, General Medicine, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Radiology, Pathology, Anesthesia, and Surgery when performed in an office setting, the established conversion factor to be applied is \$52.83. For Surgery when performed in a facility setting, the established conversion factor to be applied is \$66.32. (2) The conversion factors listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be the conversion factors for calendar year 2008. Subsequent year's conversion factors shall be determined by applying the annual percentage adjustment of the Medicare Economic Index (MEI) to the previous year's conversion factors, and shall be effective January 1st of the new calendar year."

Review of CMS's MLN Matters® Number: MM7050 states in pertinent part, "Section 3134 of The Affordable Care Act added section 1848(c)(2)(K) of The Social Security Act, which specifies that the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall identify potentially misvalued codes by examining multiple codes that are frequently billed in conjunction with furnishing a single service. As a step in implementing this provision, Medicare is applying a new Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction (MPPR) to the PE component of payment of select therapy services paid under the MPFS. The reduction will be similar to that currently applied to multiple surgical procedures and to diagnostic imaging procedures. This policy is discussed in the CY 2011 MPFS final rule. Many therapy services are time-based codes, i.e., multiple units may be billed for a single procedure. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is applying a MPPR to the practice expense payment when more than one unit or procedure is provided to the same patient on the same day, i.e., the MPPR applies to multiple units as well as multiple procedures. Full payment is made for the unit or procedure with the highest PE payment. For subsequent units and procedures, furnished to the same patient on the same day, full payment is made for work and malpractice and 80 percent payment for the PE for services furnished in office settings and other non-institutional settings and at 75 percent payment for the PE services furnished in institutional settings."

Per Medicare's MPPR policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. In this dispute, CPT code 97113 has the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. In this dispute, CPT codes 97140 and 97112 do not have the highest practice expense. CPT code 97113 contains the highest practice expense, therefore the disputed services, CPT code 97140 and 97112 are reduced by 20% of the practice expense. Reimbursement is identified below for dates of service August 3, 2012 through September 10, 2012.

Procedure code 97140, service date August 3, 2012, represents a professional service with reimbursement determined per §134.203(c). The Medicare fee is the sum of the geographically adjusted work, practice expense and malpractice values multiplied by the conversion factor. The MAR is calculated by substituting the Division conversion factor. For this procedure, the relative value (RVU) for work of 0.43 multiplied by the geographic practice cost index (GPCI) for work of 1 is 0.43. The practice expense (PE) RVU of 0.4 multiplied by the PE GPCI of 0.979 is 0.3916. The malpractice RVU of 0.01 multiplied by the malpractice GPCI of 0.826 is 0.00826. The sum of 0.82986 is multiplied by the Division conversion factor of \$54.86 for a MAR of \$45.53. Per Medicare policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. This procedure does not have the highest PE for this date. The PE reduced rate is \$41.23 at 2 units is \$82.46.

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Procedure code 97140, service date August 8, 2012, represents a professional service with reimbursement determined per §134.203(c). The Medicare fee is the sum of the geographically adjusted work, practice expense and malpractice values multiplied by the conversion factor. The MAR is calculated by substituting the Division conversion factor. For this procedure, the relative value (RVU) for work of 0.43 multiplied by the geographic practice cost index (GPCI) for work of 1 is 0.43. The practice expense (PE) RVU of 0.4 multiplied by the PE GPCI of 0.979 is 0.3916. The malpractice RVU of 0.01 multiplied by the malpractice GPCI of 0.826 is 0.00826. The sum of 0.82986 is multiplied by the Division conversion factor of \$54.86 for a MAR of \$45.53. Per Medicare policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. This procedure does not have the highest PE for this date. The PE reduced rate is \$41.23 at 2 units is \$82.46.

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Procedure code 97140, service date August 30, 2012, represents a professional service with reimbursement determined per §134.203(c). The Medicare fee is the sum of the geographically adjusted work, practice expense and malpractice values multiplied by the conversion factor. The MAR is calculated by substituting the Division conversion factor. For this procedure, the relative value (RVU) for work of 0.43 multiplied by the geographic practice cost index (GPCI) for work of 1 is 0.43. The practice expense (PE) RVU of 0.4 multiplied by the PE GPCI of 0.979 is 0.3916. The malpractice RVU of 0.01 multiplied by the malpractice GPCI of 0.826 is 0.00826. The sum of 0.82986 is multiplied by the Division conversion factor of \$54.86 for a MAR of \$45.53. Per Medicare policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. This procedure does not have the highest PE for this date. The PE reduced rate is \$41.23 at 2 units is \$82.46.

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Procedure code 97140, service date September 4, 2012, represents a professional service with reimbursement determined per §134.203(c). The Medicare fee is the sum of the geographically adjusted work, practice expense and malpractice values multiplied by the conversion factor. The MAR is calculated by substituting the Division conversion factor. For this procedure, the relative value (RVU) for work of 0.43 multiplied by the geographic practice cost index (GPCI) for work of 1 is 0.43. The practice expense (PE) RVU of 0.4 multiplied by the PE GPCI of 0.979 is 0.3916. The malpractice RVU of 0.01 multiplied by the malpractice GPCI of 0.826 is 0.00826. The sum of 0.82986 is multiplied by the Division conversion factor of \$54.86 for a MAR of \$45.53. Per Medicare policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. This procedure does not have the highest PE for this date. The PE reduced rate is \$41.23 at 2 units is \$82.46.

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Procedure code 97140, service date September 10, 2012, represents a professional service with reimbursement determined per §134.203(c). The Medicare fee is the sum of the geographically adjusted work, practice expense and malpractice values multiplied by the conversion factor. The MAR is calculated by substituting the Division conversion factor. For this procedure, the relative value (RVU) for work of 0.43 multiplied by the geographic practice cost index (GPCI) for work of 1 is 0.43. The practice expense (PE) RVU of 0.4 multiplied by the PE GPCI of 0.979 is 0.3916. The malpractice RVU of 0.01 multiplied by the malpractice GPCI of 0.826 is 0.00826. The sum of 0.82986 is multiplied by the Division conversion factor of \$54.86 for a MAR of \$45.53. Per Medicare policy, when more than one unit of designated therapy services is performed on the same day, full payment is made for the first unit of the procedure with the highest practice expense. Payment for each subsequent unit is reduced by 20% of the practice expense. This procedure does not have the highest PE for this date. The PE reduced rate is \$41.23 at 2 units is \$82.46.

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The total MAR reimbursement for CPT codes 97112 and 97140 rendered on August 2, 2012 through September 10, 2012 is \$1913.78. The insurance carrier issued payments totaling \$535.60 for CPT codes 97112 and 97140. The requestor is therefore entitled to an additional reimbursement in the amount of \$1,378.18 for CPT codes 97112 and 97140 rendered on August 2, 2012 through September 10, 2012.

Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, the Division finds that the requestor has established that additional reimbursement is due. As a result, the amount ordered is \$1,378.18.

ORDER

Based upon the documentation submitted by the parties and in accordance with the provisions of Texas Labor Code Sections 413.031 and 413.019 (if applicable), the Division has determined that the requestor is entitled to additional reimbursement for the services involved in this dispute. The Division hereby ORDERS the respondent to remit to the requestor the amount of \$1,378.18 plus applicable accrued interest per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.130, due within 30 days of receipt of this Order.

Authorized Signature

		November 14, 2013
Signature	Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer	Date

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

Either party to this medical fee dispute may appeal this decision by requesting a contested case hearing. A completed **Request for a Medical Contested Case Hearing** (form **DWC045A**) must be received by the DWC Chief Clerk of Proceedings within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. A request for hearing should be sent to: Chief Clerk of Proceedings, Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers Compensation, P.O. Box 17787, Austin, Texas, 78744. The party seeking review of the MDR decision shall deliver a copy of the request for a hearing to all other parties involved in the dispute at the same time the request is filed with the Division. **Please include a copy of the Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision** together with any other required information specified in 28 Texas Administrative Code §148.3(c), including a **certificate of service demonstrating that the request has been sent to the other party**.

Si prefiere hablar con una persona en español acerca de ésta correspondencia, favor de llamar a 512-804-4812.